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PRE-INTERN CERTIFICATE

The pre-intern program is to provide emergency teachers with early, focused, and intensive preparation in the subject matter that they are assigned to teach and with development in classroom management, pupil discipline, and basic instruction methodologies. The program is designed to facilitate as quickly as possible a candidate's entry into an internship or other teacher preparation program. This certificate is available only to participants in approved pre-intern programs conducted by school districts, county offices of education, and consortiums awarded grants to fund these programs by the State of California. The Pre-Intern Certificate authorizes service equivalent to that authorized by the related credential.

Restrictions

The following restrictions apply when determining eligibility for a Pre-Intern Certificate:

- a. Individuals who have completed subject-matter requirements for an internship or teacher preparation program are not eligible for a Pre-Intern Certificate.
- b. Individuals who have completed student teaching and/or a credential program are not eligible for the Pre-Intern Certificate.

General Requirements for the Pre-Intern Certificate

Applicants must satisfy **all** of the following requirements:

- 1. Possess a baccalaureate or higher degree from a regionally accredited college or university
- 2. Pass the California Basic Educational Skills Test (CBEST) (For more information, contact the CBEST program, National Evaluation Systems, Inc., P.O. Box 340880, Sacramento, CA 94834-0880, 916-928-4001, (800) 262-5080 or <www.cbest.nesinc.com>.)
- 3. Complete the requirements for the specific certificate as described below
- 4. Submit to your employer a complete application packet, including application (form 41-4), appropriate fees, and other documentation verifying completion of all requirements for the specific certificate (The application must be filed by a school district, county office of education, or consortium sponsoring a pre-intern program approved by the Commission. Individual agencies participating in a consortium must submit the application through the sponsoring agency.)
- 5. Submit either a Livescan receipt (41-LS) or two fingerprint cards (FD-258), and the Character and Identification Clearance (form 41-CIC), unless these are already on file with the Commission

Specific Requirements for Initial Issuance of the Pre-Intern Certificate Multiple Subject

The Multiple Subject Pre-Intern Certificate authorizes the holder to teach general subjects (self-contained) classes, such as those generally found in elementary schools. To qualify for this certificate applicants must satisfy **all** of the following requirements:

- 1. Demonstrate intent to take all of the appropriate subject matter examination(s) during the valid period of the certificate
- 2. Verify the successful completion of at least 10 semester units of course work completed at a regionally-accredited institution with a grade of "C" or better, non-remedial, in each of at least four of the following subject areas, or at least 10 semester units of course work in each of three subject areas and an additional 10 semester units in a combination of two of the remaining subject areas. The subject areas are as follows:

history humanities human development language studies literature mathematics physical education science social science the arts

Single Subject

The Single Subject Pre-Intern Certificate authorizes the holder to teach the subject(s) listed on the certificate in departmentalized classes such as those normally found in high schools. These certificates are available in all statutory single subject areas. To qualify for this certificate the applicant must do the following:

- 1. Demonstrate intent to take all of the appropriate subject matter examination(s) to verify knowledge of the subject(s) listed on the certificate during the valid period of the certificate
- 2. Verify successful completion of at least 18 semester units or 9 upper-division units of course work completed at a regionally-accredited institution with a grade of "C" or better, non-remedial, in each subject to be listed on the certificate

To qualify for one of the science subjects, at least nine units must be in the specific science area of concentration. To qualify for one of the *specialized* science subjects, all 18 semester units must be completed in the area of specialization.

3. The statutory single subjects available for the single subject credential are listed below:

Agriculture

Art
Biological Sciences (Specialized)

Business

Chemistry (Specialized)

English

Foundational-Level Mathematics Geosciences (Specialized)

Health Science Home Economics

Industrial and Technology Education

Languages other than English (specify)

Mathematics

Music

Physical Education Physics (Specialized) Science: Biological Sciences

Science: Chemistry Science: Geosciences Science: Physics Social Science

CLAD and BCLAD Authorizations

Employers may request that Pre-Intern Certificates for multiple or single subject include English Learner Authorization, Crosscultural, Language and Academic Development (CLAD) or Bilingual Crosscultural, Language and Academic Development (BCLAD) authorizations, provided that the local pre-intern program includes appropriate instruction for serving English-language learners. For English Learner Authorization and CLAD, the employer needs to identify the request when submitting the application. For BCLAD authorizations, the application must identify the target language and satisfy **one** of the following requirements:

- 1. Pass the listening and speaking sections of Test 6 of the CLAD/BCLAD Examinations
- 2. Pass an assessment covering oral language proficiency, both listening and speaking, administered by a California college or university as a part of its Commission-accredited BCLAD emphasis program in the target language
- 3. Pass an assessment covering oral language proficiency, both listening and speaking, performed by an approved organization pursuant to California Education Code, Section 44253.5(a) in the target language
- 4. Possess a three-year or higher degree from a foreign institution in which all instruction was delivered in the target language (The foreign institution must be equivalent in status to a regionally-accredited institution of higher education in the United States.)

Education Specialist

The Education Specialist Pre-Intern Certificate authorizes the holder to teach the area of specialization listed on the certificate. The categories are as follows:

- Deaf and Hard of Hearing
- Mild/Moderate Disability
- Moderate/Severe Disability
- Physical and Health Impairments
- Visual Impairment

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To qualify for this certificate, applicants must satisfy all of the following requirements:

- 1. Demonstrate intent to take all of the appropriate subject matter examination(s) to verify knowledge of a specific subject during the valid period of the certificate
- 2. The applicant must verify **one** of the following:
 - a. Successful completion of at least 10 semester units of course work completed at a regionally-accredited institution with a grade of "C" or better, non-remedial, in each of at least four of the following subject areas, or at least 10 semester units of course work in each of three subject areas and an additional 10 semester units in a combination of two of the remaining subject areas. The subject areas are as follows:

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human development science language studies social science literature the arts

- b. Successful completion of at least 18 units or 9 upper-division units of course work completed at a regionally-accredited institution with a grade of "C" or better in a single subject area that can be listed on a credential.
- c. A minimum of three years of successful full-time classroom experience, or the equivalent in part-time experience, working with special education students in a public school or state certified non-public school or agency with students in the age range of the authorization being requested
- d. A minimum of 9 semester units of course work completed at a regionally-accredited institution with a grade of "C" or better, non-remedial, in special education or in a combination of special education and regular education that are appropriate to a special education or regular education teaching credential

CLAD Authorization

Employers may request that Education Specialist Pre-Intern Certificates include the Crosscultural, Language and Academic Development (CLAD) authorization, provided that the local pre-intern program includes appropriate instruction for English language learners. The employer must identify the request when submitting the application.

Requirements for Renewal of Pre-Intern Certificates

Applicants must satisfy **both** of the following requirements:

- 1. Submit application (form 41-4), which must be filed by a school district, county office of education, or consortium with a pre-internship program accredited by the Commission; and the application fee
- 2. Verify attempts by the applicant of having taken all of the appropriate subject matter examination(s) during the valid period of the certificate where a passing score was not achieved

Additional Information

- 1. The employer must provide subject-matter advising and preparation in collaboration with a college or university
- 2. The employer must provide preliminary teacher preparation when an individual obtains a Pre-Intern Certificate as prescribed by an accredited pre-internship program (Pre-service preparation should include classroom management, instructional strategies, and student discipline. Subsequent preparation shall continue throughout the school year.)
- 3. The employer must provide frequent and consistent support throughout the school year for each pre-intern through a permanently employed experienced educator or a certificated retiree of a California school district or county office of education
- **4.** Pre-Intern Certificates are valid for one year (They may be renewed for one year upon completion of local program requirements.)
- 5. Teaching or service authorized by a Pre-Intern Certificate is restricted to schools participating in the Commission-accredited pre-intern program through which the certificate is requested

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Program Information

Individuals interested in entering a pre-intern program should review the restrictions and requirements described on page 1, 2, and 3; if eligible, contact local school districts or county offices of education to inquire if a pre-intern program has been established in their area.

References: California Education Code, Sections 44305 and 44306

Pre-Intern Grant Sponsors

School Districts

Alisal Union School District

Alum Rock Union Elementary School District

Anaheim Union High School District

Bakersfield City School District

Baldwin Park Unified School District

Belmont/Redwood Shore Unified School District (New

Teacher Project)

Centinela Valley Union High School District

Claremont Unified School District (Tri-District

Consortium)

Clovis Unified School District

Compton Unified School District

Downey Unified School District

El Rancho Unified School District

Fontana Unified School District

Fresno Unified School District

Hacienda La Puente Unified School District

Hawthorne School District

Long Beach Unified School District

Los Angeles Unified School District

Madera Unified School District

Montebello Unified School District

Norwalk-La Mirada Unified School District

Oakland Unified School District

Ontario-Montclair School District

Palmdale School District

Paramount Unified School District

Pomona Unified School District

Sacramento City Unified School District

San Diego City Schools

San Francisco Unified School District

San Gabriel Unified School District

Torrance Unified School District

Walnut Valley Unified School District

West Contra Costa Unified School District

William S. Hart Unified School District (Castaic Unified

School District)

County Offices of Education

Alameda County Office of Education

Imperial County Office of Education

Kern County Office of Education

Los Angeles County Office of Education

Merced County Office of Education

Monterey County Office of Education

Orange County Office of Education

Riverside County Office of Education

Sacramento County Office of Education

San Joaquin County Office of Education

Santa Clara County Office of Education

Santa Cruz County Office of Education

Solano County Office of Education

Sonoma County Office of Education

Stanislaus County Office of Education

Ventura County Office of Education

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Consortiums

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